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Varsity basketball

Raiders end regular season with wins, loss

The Appomattox varsity Raiders ended their regular season last week with wins over Brookville and Buckingham, and a loss to undefeated Amherst.

Larry Kelso, who carried away game-scoring honors in all three games, stood poised on the brink of the 1,000-career-points mark as the regular-season ended, needing only 17 to break the magic four-figure line.

Kelso stormed for 33 points Friday, as the Raiders took an easy 80-59 victory from hapless Brookville.

Kelso was joined in the double-figure scoring ranks by Terry Woods, who totaled 17 for the night, and by Shane Abernathy, who had ten points.

The Raiders jumped to a 15-8 lead in the first quarter, and never relinquished that advantage, leading 37-26 at the half, 55-42 at the end of the third quarter, and 80-59 when the final buzzer sounded.

The Raiders outshot Brookville 28 field goals to 19, and hit 24 of 41 freethrows for a 56.5 percent average.

With Kelso, Woods and Abernathy in the scoring column were Kim Humbles, who scored seven points, Steve Cobb with six points, Marvin Johnson who scored three, and David Pankey and John Simmons, with two points each.

Kelso and Abernathy led rebounders with 15 and 12 respectively, followed by Woods, who had 5 grabs.

Buckingham was more of a challenge for the Raiders Wednesday night, with the local team holding through a fourth-quarter rally to take the game, 61-49.

Kelso's 19 points marked the game's high scoring figure, followed by Buckingham's Marvin Lee (13 points), and Gary Woodson (12 points). Steve Cobb and Terry Woods, with 11 and 10 points respectively, rounded out the game's double-figuring scoring bracket.

The Raiders took a six-point lead in the first quarter, which ended 18-12. Appomattox stretched that lead to eight points by the end of the first half, when the score stood at 33-25.

A poor third quarter by Buckingham had the Raiders up by 15 with the score 46-31, but the local team had to stave off an 18-point fourth quarter by Buckingham to perserve the win.

Scoring for Appomattox with Kelso, Cobb and Woods were Marvin Johnson and Shane Abernathy with nine points each, and Kim Humbles with three points.

Abernathy led Raider rebounders with 12 rebounds, followed by Larry Kelso, who brought in eight for the night.

The Raiders hit on 27 field goal attempts, and went seven-for-16 from the foul line for a 43.8 percent average.

Appomattox felt the 20-win power of Amherst in a game Monday night which saw the Raiders trailing from the first quarter, and finally suffering their last defeat of the season, 77-60.

While Larry Kelso and Shane Abernathy were the top scorers in the game with 27 and 16 points respectively, they still could not hold off a lightning-quick Amherst team, which had nine players in the scoring column.

Appomattox scored only eight points in the first quarter to Amherst's 19, and when the first half ended the Raiders were behind 37-22. A 27-point third quarter put Amherst even further ahead, as the Raiders could muster only 18 points for themselves.

A 20-point Raider burst in the final period of play was not enough to stop Amherst, and the game ended 77-60.

Terry Woods joined Kelso and Abernathy in the double-figure scoring bracket with 10 points, and Steve Cobb with four points, Kim Humbles with two, and Alonzo Dillard with a point rounded out the Raider scoring column.

Abernathy led Raider rebounders with 11 for the night, followed by Kelso, who recorded nine rebounds.

While the Raiders outshone Amherst at the foul line (18-for-25 for 72 percent, compared to seven-for-14 for 50 percent), it was the awesome Amherst floor shooting ab-

Raiderettes advance to semifinal play

The Appomattox varsity Raiderettes advanced to the semifinals of Seminole District tournament play Monday night, defeating Brookville 40-26 at Rustburg High School.

Ruby Smith and Arnette Carter led Raiderette scorers with 13 and 12 points respectively, in a game which saw the local team's performance at the foul line make up the winning margin.

The Raiderettes went 14-for-24 from the foul line, added to 26 points scored on field goals. "We won the game from the foul line," said coach Mary Tolley. "We scored 26 points on field goals, and that's what their final score was. The difference was at the foul line."

Offensively, Debbie Smith scored six points and Susan Handy scored five points, and Rhonda Jaggers and Robin Martin scored two each for the Raiderettes.

On defense, Susan Handy led the local girls in rebounds with eight, followed by Rhonda Jaggers with seven, and Debbie Smith with five.

Ruby Smith and Annette Carter each recorded three steals for the night.

The Raiderettes went out in front 14-5 in the first quarter, and led 18-9 at the end of the half. Brookville played the Raiderettes even through the third quarter, but the Raiderettes pulled out further and iced the game, scoring 16 points to Brookville's eleven in the final period of play.

"They came to within five points of us in the fourth quarter," said Tolley. "But good foul shooting, coupled with a good first quarter of play made the difference in the game.

The Raiderettes will face off against Rustburg tonight (Thursday) in semifinal tournament action. Game time is 7 p.m., and the game will be played in the gymnasium at E. C. Glass High School.

Tolley expects a tough game against Rustburg, which finished first in the district in the regular season.

LONGWOOD COLLEGE SENIOR Maryjane Smith is shown with head basketball coach, Carolyn Hodges, just after Smith went over the 1,000 point scoring-mark.

Maryjane Smith passes 1000 points

Sometimes a single moment in a sporting event can transcend an entire season, even an entire career. At the conclusion of a recent game between women's teams from Longwood College and Virginia State there was such a moment.

Maryjane Smith put up a jump shot with one second showing on the clock and the score tied 54-54. The ball hit the rim, bounced three times and fell through as time expired giving the Lady Lancers a 56-54 victory and also giving Smith 1,001 career points.

The basket that was so much more than just a basket left the Longwood team and French Gymnasium crowd in a frenzy.

Smith, a senior at Longwood, is a graduate of Appomattox County High School and is the daughter of Mrs. Ann Smith of Pamplin and the late Earl J. Smith.

Smith entered the game with 981 career points and that fact weighed heavily on her in the first half as she scored but three points, all from the foul line. The 5-10 senior forward attempted only one shot from the floor. As she would admit later the pressure got to her.

As the second half opened, the stage was set for Smith, Longwood's leading scorer. With 15:46 remaining, Maryjane canned her first field goal, then she was off to the races, sinking her next five field goals and helping Longwood take a 48-42 lead with 6:05 left to play. She didn't score again until one second remained when the game was on the line.

She finished with 20 points and 10 rebounds, hitting seven of 10 field goal attempts, and with her fast second shot she became only the secondplayer in Longwood history to score more than 1,000 career points.

Girls finish regular season with 2 wins

The Raiderettes finished their regular season with wins over Amherst and Brookville in basketball action last week.

Debbie Smith scored a career-high 20 points in leading the girls to a 60-54 win over Brookville Friday night.

She was one of three Raiderettes scoring in double figures for the evening. Annette Carter scored 13 points, and Susan Handy tallied 12 points for the night.

The Raiderettes led 9-7 at the end of the first quarter. The lead stayed at two points as the first half ended, with the Appomattox girls ahead 28-24.

Brookville pulled even with the Raiderettes in the third quarter, however, and the score was tied at the end of that period, 36-36.

The final quarter was a close battle, with both teams shooting well. The local girls outdistanced Brookville, however scoring 24 points to their opponents' 18. When the final buzzer sounded, the Raiderettes had captured their tenth victory, 60-54.

With Carter, Debbie Smith and Ruby Smith in the scoring column were Johnna Belter, who scored two points, Susan Handy, who scored eight points, and Lolita Preston, who scored five points.

The Raiderettes hit 14 of 26 freethrow shots for a 54 percent average. Carter and Handy each had four steals and Handy and Debbie Smith each had 10 rebounds for the night. Belter recorded five assists, and Handy had three assists in the game.

Debbie Smith led all scorers in last Tuesday's game as well, with a total of 19 points for the evening.

The Raiderettes led Amherst from the beginning of the game, and at the final buzzer held a 20-point advantage, 55-35.

With Debbie Smith in the scoring column was Annette Carter with nine points, Susan Handy with eight points, Johnna Belter with seven points, Ruby Smith with six, and Lolita Preston with six.

The Raiderettes hit on seven of 14 freethrow attempts for a 50 percent average.

Coach Mary Tolley commended seniors D. Smith, Belter, and Carter for their performances in their final home game. Smith went nine for 16 from the floor, got nine rebounds and recorded four steals. Belter was five for six from the foul line, scored seven points and recorded three assists. Carter pulled in four rebounds, had three assists, two steals, and scored nine points during the night to surpass the 500-point mark in her career scoring record.

Tolley called the game "one of our better team efforts," noting that the Raiderettes had led by as much as 30 points with four minutes remaining in the game.

Cheerleaders slate skating party

The Appomattox County Varsity Cheerleaders are having a skating party March 3 at A. J. Skateworld from 7 to 10 p.m.

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Blankets need love and care, too

By SHIRLEY WALTON
Extension Agent

Blankets need tender loving, gentle care. Some of them are plush, colorful and cozy. Most blankets can be machine washed and dried; thus making the blanket practical, as well as beautiful.

Acrylic and polyester are today's dominant blanket fibers. Nylon, rayon, wool, cotton and blends of two or three fibers are also included in the blanket fabrications, and most of the satin bindings used as trim are made of nylon, rayon or acetate, all of these being washable like the blankets.

Thermal blankets resembling crocheted throws come in acrylic, as well as cotton. Pure wool offers cozy plaid designs as well as earthy and pastel solids.

Electric blankets have become popular in view of saving energy on home heating. They are usually fashioned in 100% acrylic and in blends such as 50% polyester and 50% acrylic. One manufacturer offers a reversible blanket, solid on one side and plaid on the other. As you can see from this review of the offerings, you have many decisions to make if you are going to choose a pretty blanket for your home.

Most blankets can be machine washed and dried. Electric blankets should be laundered at home since dry cleaning can ruin the insulation on the wiring. Read carefully the labels to see if washing or dry cleaning is recommended for a particular type of blanket. Some of the wool blankets suggest dry cleaning. Others say they can be washed and dried with special care.

Gentle washing gives the best results for blankets. Check your washer and dryer use care manual and the care label on the blanket for complete laundering instructions.

Measure a woolen blanket before washing. It should be blocked or stretched to original shape after laundering. Pretreat spots and stains. If the binding is heavily soiled, brush it prior to laundering with a liquid detergent or a paste made of detergent granules or soap and water. A pre-wash soak and stain remover can also be used on the blanket binding. Wash only one large blanket at a time.

Fill the washer with warm or cold water depending on the degree of soil. Add detergent or soap. Agitate briefly to dissolve the product completely. Stop the washer and then add the blanket. Distribute the blanket so it is loosely and evenly around the agitator. Soak for 10 to 15 minutes, depending on the amount of soil. Start the washer and agitate the control until agitation stops and the wash water has been pumped out of the tub. After about one minute of spinning, slowly advance the timer to the rinse cycle. Allow the washer to finish the wash cycle automatically.

Good news for homemakers

A fabric softener may be used in the washer or dryer to help reduce static cling and make the blanket soft and fluffy.

Depending on the construction of the blanket, synthetics and those made of cotton can be washed on a permanent press, knit or delicate cycle.

Dry a woven blanket on the high temperature setting. To absorb moisture and dry a blanket more quickly, place three or four dry bath towels in the dryer. Preheat the towels three to five minutes. This helps to absorb moisture. Dry blankets rapidly and avoid piling caused by long tumbling. Place the blanket in the dryer with the warm towels. Set the control for about 20 minutes. Check the blanket after 10 minutes. Be sure to remove the blanket while it is still damp to avoid shrinkage.

Place the woolen blanket on a flat surface or over two lines to finish drying. Stretch it to its original size. When the blanket is completely dry, brush gently to raise the nap. Press the binding with a cool iron if necessary.

Tumble drying knitted woolens is not recommended. Instead, trace the outline of a blanket on a clean piece of paper. After washing, block by finger pressing gently to this outline. Let the garment dry to this shape.

Synthetic blankets and those made of cotton may be dried using the permanent press cycle and temperature. Use highest heat setting if the dryer has no permanent press setting. Dry completely, but be careful not to overdry because this will cause wrinkling. Remove the blanket from the dryer as soon as the machine stops.

To line dry a blanket, hang it over two parallel lines. Smooth and straighten edges. Change the position and straighten again when partially dry.

Homemakers, if you have a homemaking question or problem, you may call us at 352-8244 or write us at P. O. Box 488, Appomattox, Va. 24522.

Have a good week, homemakers!

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Mrs. Babcock's Creamed Cabbage Casserole

Cut medium fine 1 fresh green cabbage (2 to 2½ pounds). Boil cabbage in salted water (1 teaspoon salt to 1 quart water) for about 15 minutes or until tender. Do not cook until the cabbage is soft.

Drain well and put ½ cabbage into baking dish. Add a layer of white sauce, then another layer of cabbage and white sauce.

Top with 1½ to 2 cups buttered bread crumbs which have been slightly browned and crumbled finely. This casserole can be refrigerated until ready for serving, then it can be put into a 300°oven and warmed for approximately 20 minutes-or until hot.

The white sauce recipe is as follows:

2 cups milk
4 tablespoons flour
1 stick butter or margarine
½ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoon pepper

Melt butter in saucepan, add salt, pepper and flour. Mix well. Add milk and stir until thickened and smooth.

This delicious creamed cabbage casserole is a favorite of Mrs. Annie Laurie Babcock's. All of us know of Mrs. Babcock's excellent reputation as a great cook. She prepared this for a church supper recently and it was the "hit" of the meal. Many thanks to her for sharing this delicious casserole with us.

Breast-exam program planned

By JANET NOBLE

On March 3, at 7:30 p.m., a program on Breast Self-Examination will be held at the District Extension Office Building (next door to the Post Office).

Miss Belinda Swecker, a nurse in training at Lynchburg General Hospital and recently crowned Miss Hope, will present an in-depth program on breast self-examination in connection with the American Cancer Society program.

Did you know Breast Cancer is the #2 killer of women?

It is the desire to have all women knowledgeable to early signs of cancer so it may be treated and cured. The cure rate is increasing as more and more women become knowledgeable.

No one is immuned from this type of cancer but all are curable if help comes in time.

Please, attend.

This meeting is being sponsored and arranged by the Meadowlark Extension Homemakers.

Refreshments will be served by the Meadowlark Club.

Dyke promoted

Vernon E. Dyke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robin C. Dyke of Concord, has been promoted in the U. S. Air Force to the rank of technical sergeant.

Sergeant Dyke is a security technician at March Air Force Base in Riverside, California.

The sergeant is a 1967 graduate of Rustburg High School in Campbell County.

Rocks news

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were fortunate to have Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dudley of Pamplin to give the demonstration on the care and planting of roses.

Mr. Roy Jones is in Southside Hospital very ill. He had emergency surgery on Sunday morning. A speedy recovery is wished him.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Caldwell and boys of Martinsville spent the week end here with the former's brother, Willie Caldwell and family of Pamplin.

Ronnie Richardson of V. P. I. will spend this week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Richardson of Pamplin.

Get well wishes go out to Rev. W. H. Elder who is under the weather.

It was good to have a good crowd out for church sevices on Sunday after a bad week end last week.

The W. M. U. Focus Week closed on Sunday night with the W.M.U. showing slides with emphasis on the mission work in our church and our community.

The Youth Sweetheart Banquet was held at the parsonage on Saturday at 6 p.m. A number of the youth attended. King and Queen chosen were Ken Caldwell and Susan Morris.

Business meeting of the church that was postponed last week because of bad weather is rescheduled for this Wednesday night, Feb. 20.

The Group I Mission study class for B.W. Ga's and SB's will be held at Rocks on Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Roy Moore returned home Monday from Lynchburg General Hospital.

Emily Shea places in meet

At Andrea's Gym Club in Roanoke Feb. 10, in a dual optional meet with the YWCA Springer's Gymnastics Team, Emily Shea of Appomattox County placed second all-around in the 9 to 11 age group.

Shea was first on vault, second on beam, and third on free floor.

Valerie Guill, also of Appomattox, was seventh on valuing in the same age group.

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